

# Baltimore Complete Streets Manual Advisory Committee Meeting Minutes

Date: February 3, 2021

Location: Virtual Meeting

1. Welcome and Introductions: Graham Young welcomed the attendees (listed below) to the meeting. Graham reviewed the agenda.
2. Share Public Comments: Larry Marcus, with Wallace Montgomery, provided a summary of the comments received and portals of communication.

The Project Team and Advisory Committee, with guidance from Tereina Galloway, coordinated a series of public engagement activities from April 2020 through October 2020. In addition to several community meetings in April and May, four public meetings were held virtually on October 21, 22, 28, and 29. The manual was also available to the public for comment: <https://transportation.baltimorecity.gov/draft-complete-streets-manual>. The public comment period on the document formally closed on October 30. The project team consolidated all public comments received via various communications portals into one centralized tracking tool. The team responded to all comments and modified the Manual when applicable. Comments / suggestions were also provided by City staff, with significant input from DPW.

Larry provided an overview of the type of comments received and recommended changes to the manual based on public input. The on-line draft manual was available for public input and received 147 comments.

3. Review Additional Sections / Content: Larry presented the proposed updates to the manual. Community input, comments from City staff, and comments from NACTO staff were incorporated for the final Manual release. Additional content has been drafted on the topics of sustainability, green streets, streetlighting, curbside management, speed management, Street Type design target speeds, traffic control devices and operations, special considerations in street design (school zones, community centers, hospitals, parks, senior centers, transition areas), and other topics based on emerging best practices since the April release.
4. Confirm Proposed Timeline for Finalizing and Adopting the Final Complete Streets Manual: Larry reviewed the schedule to deliver the final proposed manual for Advisory Committee review / approval. The target date is March 15, 2021.
5. Discuss Legislation Related to Complete Streets Initiatives: Liam Davis and Graham presented for discussion the following impactful and relevant legislation related to Complete Streets in Baltimore:

#### Most Impactful

HB0114/SB0199: Maryland Transit Administration – Funding (Transit Safety and Investment Act)

HB0226: Baltimore City – Complete Streets Program Funding – Traffic and Vehicle Monitoring Systems

HB0284: Vehicle Laws – Dedicated Bus Lanes - Enforcement

#### Other Relevant Bills

HB0118/SB0293 - Vehicle Laws - Injury or Death of Vulnerable Individual - Penalties  
HB0285 - Workgroup on Statewide Vehicle Crash Data Collection and Reporting  
HB0487 - Education – School Construction – Pedestrian Safety Plans (School Pedestrian Safety Act)  
HB0493 - Election Law - Voting Locations - Accessibility by Public Transportation and Voters with Disabilities

6. Discuss Current DOT Plans that Represent Potential Complete Streets Design Projects: Graham presented examples of projects reflecting the Complete Streets Manual guidance:

- 25th Street from Greenmount Ave to Kirk Ave
- Fremont Avenue
- Patapsco Avenue
- Belair Road
- Harford Road Bridge

Graham thanked to Advisory Committee for their input and announced that the March meeting will include a request to (1) approve the responses to public comments, and (2) approve the proposed final manual.

Attendees:

Ryan Dorsey, City Council

Theo Ngongang, BCDOT

Graham Young, BCDOT Project Manager for the Complete Streets Manual

Liam Davis, BCDOT

William Ethridge, BCDOT

Tereina Galloway, BCDOT

Matthew Hendrickson, BCDOT

Robert O'Brien, BCDOT

Manmohan Singh, BCDOT

Adrea Turner, BCDOT

German Vigil, BCDOT

Meg Young, BCDOT

Mikah Zaslow, BCDOT

Zachary Chissell, MTA

Yolanda Winkler, DPW

Laurie Feinberg, DOP

Derrick Ready, BCFD

Kimberly Rubens, DHCD

Jed Weeks, Bikemore

Clarissa Chen, Bikemore

Jack Sullivan

Larry Marcus, Wallace Montgomery Project Manager

Ray Moravec, Wallace Montgomery